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Memo:

No. 164 Dy. 2nd February 1875

In February last, the Govt. of India in the Home Departt. forwarded a revised set of forms for exhibiting Judicial, Medical and other statistics regarding Jails, together with copy of a resolution thereon.

No. 8239/143 Dy 12-2-75.

Copies of the Resolution and of the forms were forwarded, to the Judicial Commissioner for information and guidance

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and to the Deputy Surgeon General I. M. D. for information with reference to para 4 of the Resolution.

3/10 dated 4 March 1875.

In the following month, the Home Department forwarded copy of a Resolution asking Local Govts & Administrations to consider and report whether there

was any objection to the adop-
tion of the above mentioned
forms in the annual Ad
ministration Reports, observing
that the general summary
the first of the Jail forms
should be retained in ex
tenso; but that of the re-
mainder, the totals only
should be retained.

This Resolution was
also forwarded to the Judicial
Commissioner for Consideration
and report, and to the Deputy
Surgeon General for informa-
tion. Both these officers have
stated that they have no
objection to the introduction
of the proposed changes.

The Government of
India now forward copy of

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another Resolution observing that the Local Governments and Administrations are generally of opinion that the course proposed in the last mentioned Resolution is advisable, and directing, that the subjoined selection from the forms used in the Departmental Jail Reports be adopted in the annual general Administration Reports:- Viz:-

The general Summary and Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7 Judicial,
Nos 10, 12, and 14 Financial,
No. 15 Vital,
" 20 Civil Prisoners, and
" 21 Under trial prisoners.

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Mercy Copies of this Financial Resolution of Govt to be forwarded to the Judicial & Dy Surgn Genl for information & guidance.-

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Jail Material for
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Enclosures No.

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Instructions for information
and guidance & Resolution
regarding Statistical
returns of Civil & Crimal
Statements forming appendices
to Administration Reports.

To The Judl Commissioner for
information and guidance.
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No. 50

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Judicial)—
under date Simla, the 2nd May 1873.

READ again—

Home Department Resolution No. 50, dated 17th March 18[illegible]
Home Department Circular No. [illegible] 9th November 1870.
Letter from the Government, No[illegible] Provinces, No. 784A, dated 24th February 1871.

Read also—

Home Department Circular No. 419-27, dated 22nd March 1871, to all Local Governments and Administrations, except the Government of the North-Western Provinces, and replies thereto as follows :—

From the Government of Madras, No. 434, dated 4th April 1871.
Ditto, Bengal, No. 1373, dated [illegible]th May 1871.
Ditto, Punjab, No. 649, dated [illegible] March 1871.
From the Chief Commissioner [illegible]udh, No. 4102, dated 4th September 1871
Ditto, Central Provinces, No. 7[illegible]-73, dated 19th April 1871.
Ditto, British Burmah, No. 140-38, dated 11th April 1871.
Ditto, Mysore and Coorg, No. 483-2, dated 29th April 1871.
From the Resident at Hyderabad, No. 3, dated 28th April 1871.

Read also the under-mentioned letters :—

From the Government of the Punjab, No. 1387, dated 26th September 1871.
To the Chief Commissioner of Oudh, No. 2028, dated 14th December 1871.
From ditto, No. 34, dated 3rd January 1872.
From the Government of Bombay, No. 1049, dated 21st February 1873.

RESOLUTION.

FROM the replies received to the Circular of the 22nd March 1871, enquiring how far the statistical forms for Civil and Criminal Statements, as prepared by the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal, and prescribed for general adoption in the Resolutions of the Home Department, dated 17th March 1870 cited above, had actually been adopted and adhered to, it appears that they have now been generally adopted by all Governments in the Appendices to their Annual Reports; but that various alterations, emendations, and additions have in some instances been proposed, and in other instances have been introduced into the original Statements. The Report of one Local Administration contains in the Appendix a Statement which has added a fresh heading with 18 subordinate columns to the original statistical form, thus supplementing it by a quantity of information that was in no way asked for by the Government.

2. Some of the changes referred to appear unnecessary, while others are evidently improvements, and it was to be expected that in practice some defects or omissions would be discovered in the original tables prescribed by the Committee. All these alterations or suggestions for alterations are under

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The Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt of India, Home Depart.t Simla.

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to bring to notice amendments which the Chief Comm.r may consider desirable in the Forms in which the Statistics of Jails are now prepared.

To Judl. Comm.r for opinion
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FROM

T. J. CHICHELE P[illegible]EN, ESQ.,

Offg. Under Se[illegible]he Govt. of India,

To

The Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

Home Dept.

Judicial.

SIMLA, *the 30th May* 1873.

SIR,

A COMMITTEE will shortly be appointed to revise the forms in which statistics of jails are now prepared, I am directed to request that you will bring to the notice of the Government of India any amendments which you think it would be desirable that the Committee should consider.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Thos Chichele

Offg. Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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FROM

A. O. HUME, ESQ., C. B.

Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Chief Commissioner of Mysore and Coorg.

Dept. of Agriculture, Revenue and Commerce.
(*Sanitary.*)

Simla, the 29 May 1873.

SIR,

THE forms prescribed by the Resolution of the Government of India, in the Home Department, No. 515 dated 31st December 1869, for exhibiting the vital statistics of the several provinces of India in the annual sanitary reports, have now been in use for upwards of two years, and it is probable that many points may have presented themselves in which their amendment may be possible. I am, therefore, to invite an expression of your opinion as to the direction which any amendments, if any are suggested, should take.

2. The forms, as they at present stand, with separate details for each circle of registration, and for age and sex, are exceedingly bulky when properly filled in, even in the case of the smaller provinces; and a mass of figured statements of the kind, not only has the effect of retarding greatly the preparation and printing of the sanitary reports of the different provinces, but also renders them very unwieldy and difficult to consult when printed. It has been suggested, therefore, that the returns might, in many cases, be compressed by the omission in some of the forms of separate details for the rural circles (the *towns*, however, still being kept distinct) and the entry in their place of totals for the rural population of each district.

3. It is, in the opinion of the Governor General in Council, very desirable that no radical change in the arrangement or details of the returns should be made. They have been only for a short time in operation, and frequent changes of the kind are to be deprecated as tending to confuse the agency employed, and obscure the results of the system already introduced. Any suggestions which you may have to offer should, therefore, in the opinion of His Excellency in Council, aim rather at the improvement of the existing forms than the substitution for them of others.

4. While desiring, if possible, to reduce the bulk of the returns appended to the provincial sanitary report, His Excellency the Viceroy in Council does not think that any reduction should be made in the statistics furnished to the office of the Sanitary Commissioner. If registration is to be of any practical value, the Sanitary Commissioner must have a thorough check upon it, and must have the results in each district tabulated and arranged that any

iscrepancy may be at once dete
eath or birth-rates may be recogn and that any special fluctuation in the
hing short of this would render th and made the subject of enquiry. Any-
he returns a mass of figures, th egistration a mere matter of form, and
test. It is generally admitted that curacy of which it will be impossible to
very wide of the mark; and it is statistics of births and deaths are still
should be subjected to efficient chec erefore, all the more needful that they
comparison of the results in the which can only be exercised by a careful
sex, age, and class, in each local ary Commissioner's office, according to

5. Thus, while considering tely.
the statements may be for the purposes of the sanitary report
that the Sanitary Commi cy in Council thinks it essential
which the original forms re the information in his office
properly, and to test them thoroughl , to prepare the reduced statements
should be done as fully as ever. is absolutely necessary that the work
Sanitary Commissioner should carefu in the body of his annual report, the
and point out any discrepancies or discuss the details of all the statements,
circles which demand attention. ther matters in the different registration

6. With these remarks, and a
suggestions made by the Sanitary C nding for information a copy of certain
for the reduction of the bulk of th missioner with the Government of India,
in Council remits the subject for figured statements, the Governor General
your consideration.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. A. Harris

Secretary to the Government of India.

Suggestions made by the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India, for the reduction of the bulk of the figured statements compiled to the Annual Sanitary Report.

Statement No. I.—Should be kept as a general view of the mortality of the Province by *districts*. Column 2, instead of "district" should give the "division." Column 3 the district. Column 5 the area in square miles instead in statute acres. Column 6 the average population per square mile. The summary should remain to shew at a glance the comparative mortality in rural circles and towns. This modification would reduce the form for the Central Provinces from 213 lines of figures, as at present, to merely the totals of each district, and one grand total for the Province, or 22 lines. In the Punjab, the reduction would be from 633 to 33.

Statement No. II.—Shewing the mortality months might be confined to the towns, the rural circles, as a whole, in totals of districts. The sexes need not be distinguished. This would limits.

Statement No. III.—Shewing locality and from different diseases. This I would retain exactly as it is. It while a long statement especially for the Punjab and other large Provinces, but the information it contains is essential.

Statement No. IV.—Shewing the mortality y ages might be limited to the towns, the rural circles as a whole, and the totals for dis cts. In the meantime the sexes need not be given separately under each term of life, but two columns should be added—one to shew the proportion of male to female deaths per 1,000 f those living, and the other to shew the proportion of deaths under 5 years of age to the tal deaths.

Statement No. V.—Shewing the mortality among different classes, might be similarly curtailed.

Statement No. VI.—Shewing the mortality m cholera I would leave as it is. It is of the greatest importance to have the fullest inf ion regarding the distribution of cholera.

Statement No. VII.—Shewing the mortal om small pox. The same arguments apply to this form, and besides, the data in it are of at value as a means of testing the work of the Vaccination department. I would, therefo leave it unchanged, except that the sexes need not be distinguished, and a column should be dded to shew the number of deaths from small pox in children under one year of age.

Statement No. VIII.—Shewing the mort y from fevers. If the information under this head could be relied on, it would be a great g to have it, but the diagnosis of fevers is not to be depended on. I would, therefore, co e this statement to the towns, to the rural circles collectively, and to totals for districts.

Statement No. IX,—Shewing the mortalit om Bowel complaints. This also, for the same reasons, might be reduced in the same way proposed for No. VIII.

Statement No. X.—Shewing the comparat ratios of births and deaths might also be similarly curtailed.

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To

Dated 4th March 1875

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Forwards copy of Resolution regarding forms for jail statistics.

Copy to Judicial Board for consideration & report in continuation of this Office

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12 to Returns. Copy to Judl Board. Consider if necessary to consult Surgeon General. Answer in connection with reference to Statistical

Copy to D.S. Surgeon General for information in continuation of this Office

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No. 3/310

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Judicial),—under date Fort William, the 4 March 1875.

READ the under-mentioned Resolutions regarding forms for jail statistics:

Nos. 359 to 369, dated the 21st February 1870.

Nos. 164 to 177, dated the 2nd February 1875.

Read also—

Home Department Resolution No. 1674, dated 12th May 1873, relative to the preparation of the annual administration reports.

RESOLUTION.

THE jail forms circulated in February 1870 for adoption in the annual administration reports were originally prepared by the Statistical Committee; but experience shows them to be in some respects redundant and defective, nor are they now uniformly used by Local Governments. It is probable that the forms circulated with the Resolution of the 2nd ultimo for adoption in the jail reports would, as is the case in the Registration Department, suffice to supply all the information required in the annual administration reports without necessitating the tabulation of fresh statistics. In this view the general summary—the first of the jail forms—should be retained *in extenso;* but of the other forms the totals only should be retained. Of these forms all that seem required in an administration report are Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 Judicial, Nos. 10, 12 and 14 Financial, No. 15 Vital, No. 20 Civil prisoners, and No. 21 Under Trial prisoners.

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2. Local Governments and Administrations are requested to consider and report whether there is any objection to the introduction of the proposed change.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Local Governments and Administrations for the purpose stated.

(True Extract.)

Arthur Howell

Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To The Chief Commissioner of Mysore & Coorg

Exd.—C. A. S.

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From Sec'y Govt of Bihar
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Forwards for information & guidance copy of Govt of Bihar resolution prescribing the jail statistical forms to be adopted for the annual general Administration Report.

No. 1/4/63

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Judicial),—under date Simla, the 7th May 1875.

READ again—

Home Department Resolution Nos. 1—164-177, dated the 2nd February 1875, with the connected papers, prescribing a set of Statistical Forms for Annual Jail Reports.

Home Department Resolution Nos. 3—310-21, dated the 4th March 1875, asking Local Governments and Administrations whether a selection from the Forms prescribed on the 2nd February could not be adopted in the annual general Administration Reports of each Province, in lieu of the Forms recommended by the Statistical Committee in 1866 and now in use.

RESOLUTION.

THE Local Governments and Administrations are generally of opinion that the course proposed in the last mentioned Resolution is advisable. And as the adoption in the general Administration Reports of a selection from the Forms used in the Departmental Jail Reports would obviate the necessity of compiling and printing a fresh series of Jail statistics, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the following Departmental Jail Forms—the general summary and Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7 Judicial, Nos. 10, 12 and 14 Financial, No. 15 Vital, No. 20 Civil Prisoners, and No. 21 under trial Prisoners, be adopted in the annual general Administration Reports.

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ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all the Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

Arthur Howell

Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Exd.—F. J. B.

To The Chief Commissioner of Mysore and Coorg

No. 42.

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From Officg Secy Govt of Madras
Home Dept

To The Chief Commissioner of Mysore

Dated 31 July
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ENCLOSURES NO.

General No. 469
No.

Forwards draft Statistical Dispensary Returns for 1874 for any remarks and suggestions so that the series may be revised and brought into use for the report of 1875.

May all spare copies be furnished to the Deputy Surgeon General for such remarks and suggestions as he may have to offer.

18.8.75

Does not a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Dep Surgeon Gen? Under Secy should call a report how Returns in the forms annexed obtained through the Dep Surgeon Gen, and to expand their Dispensaries, or are under their charge to express of all Dispensaries in the Province to be called in a Copy. Perhaps Resolution may be expanded to cover

Chief Secy to the Govt Surgeon
Returns should be furnished through the Dep Surgeon Gen of Madras who should supply the Statistics as far as practicable.
The Dep Surgeon Gen should also be required to prepare such instructions as may be necessary to ensure uniformity in the manner of keeping the "Registers" and "Indoor" Cases prescribed in the Resolution

~~In connection~~ forwarding the Returns ~~of the D.S.G~~ is requested that the Returns be forwarded to the Min, ~~to the D.S.G~~ after they have been checked, ~~by the D.S.G~~ and the necessary ~~by the D.S.G~~ Quarterly Report from the D.S.G.

Attention is called to the method of preserving the Returns in the Taluk Dispensaries adopted abroad, and any practicable improvement in the Returns as regards the manner of preservation suggested by the Surgeon General will be considered.

Dated 1875

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No. 5 / 402

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Medical),—under date Simla, the 27 July 1875.

READ—

The annual dispensary reports for 1873-74.

RESOLUTION.

THE want of a standard series of statistics to show the annual working of the dispensaries in the different provinces of India is a serious inconvenience. Some of the forms now in use are meagre and incomplete, others are unnecessarily elaborate. No two sets agree, and comparison is difficult and sometimes impossible. Uniformity has been secured in the mode in which the annual statistics of jails, of lunatic asylums, of vaccination, and of mortuary registration are presented, and it is desirable that the same thing should be done for dispensaries which are rapidly becoming more numerous and important.

2. Standard forms framed for this purpose should be as simple and concise as possible without omitting any point of importance, for the main object both of them and of the reports to which they are attached is not to discuss difficult medical points, but to inform the Government briefly and clearly how far these institutions are doing good, to what extent they are appreciated by the people, from what resources they are kept up, and in particular what proportion of these resources is furnished by the people themselves.

3. In this view the annexed five statements are suggested for general adoption. They are founded in some measure on those which accompany the last annual report on the dispensaries of the Lower Provinces, but on a consideration of the forms used elsewhere important changes have been made, designed chiefly to render them more simple and more definite.

4. As the reasons for recommending the series now proposed may not always be apparent, a few explanatory remarks will be made with regard to each form, and the opportunity will be taken to state the points which ought to be noticed in the reports, and in regard to which the information hitherto afforded is often scanty. A reference to these points in connection with the statements is the more appropriate, inasmuch as any complete set of statements will naturally form the basis of the report itself.

5. STATEMENT I is designed to show the number of dispensaries in operation during the year with any changes which have taken place. This statement will also show concisely the number of dispensaries of each class. In the report it should be explained exactly what governs the division into classes. On this point apparently there is considerable difference of procedure in different provinces. And the extension of dispensaries should be compared, not only with the preceding year, but also with former periods.

6. STATEMENT II shows at a glance the number of patients, both indoor and outdoor, treated in each dispensary and the general results. It has been made as simple as possible. Most of the forms now in use distinguish between those remaining from the previous year and those under treatment in the year under report; but this distinction is of no importance, and the extra columns it entails unnecessarily complicate the statistics. The information wanted is how many

cases were treated during the year, and this of course will include the balance of the former year. In the matter of the attendance of indoor patients there is a point which deserves notice. Some dispensaries are practically used to a large extent as alms-houses. On this head some detailed information should be given, for it is clear that dispensaries in which this is done will have undue credit for indoor attendance. Where the number of beds available are not occupied, some explanation should be given.

7. As regards outdoor patients, a column is frequently added to show the number who are known to have died; but this information is necessarily imperfect and therefore useless. Moreover no column has been given to show the number of out-patients who "ceased to attend," because this may happen from a variety of causes, such as death or recovery, and the entries under such a general heading would therefore afford no useful information. The outdoor attendance should include not only those who apply in person, but also those who are represented by their friends. There are in this respect three classes of persons who obtain relief:—

(1).—Those who attend in person.

(2).—Those who have attended once or oftener, but afterwards send for medicine; and

(3).—Those, such as purdah women and people at a distance, who are dependent on friends or relatives to describe their ailments and bring them medicine.

In returning applicants of the 2nd and 3rd class, no general rule seems to be followed. In some parts of the country they are not entered at all. No doubt there must always be difficulty and uncertainty in treating such cases, but on the other hand, much good may often be done by sending them medicine. It is far from desirable that those applying on their behalf should be sent away empty-handed, and if provided with medicine, some account of it must be rendered. The statement accordingly divides the outpatients into two great classes—those who come in person and those who do not.

8. The most important point in this statement, and it is one which ought to be specially noticed in the report, is how far are the figures to be depended on. What means are taken to check them, to ascertain whether the attendance has in reality been as large as it is stated to have been, especially as regards the branch dispensaries. Instances have occurred which leave no doubt that dispensary statistics are not always accurate, and it is therefore of great importance to know to what check they have been subjected, and how far the Inspector General considers them trustworthy. It is usual in a statement of this kind to add a column to show the numbers of the previous year; but such a comparison should rather be made by the Inspector General in his report.

9. STATEMENT III deals with the diseases of those treated. This is perhaps the point in regard to which the present procedure is most diverse and unsatisfactory. In some reports all the diseases treated at the different dispensaries of the province are clubbed together, and appear in a table which sets forth that so many cases of each have been treated and so many died. But such a statement, although it entails a vast amount of labor, is of no use for any practical purpose. In the Lower Provinces, for example, the statistics of each disease (and their names occupy nearly six columns of folio pages) involve several calculations for each of its 200 dispensaries. And when all this labor has been performed, it is merely labor lost. There can be no interest in knowing, for example, that 5,000 cases of syphilis were treated in Bengal during 1873, or 32 of hay asthma, &c., &c., when the places in which the cases occurred are not specified. If dispensary statistics were a fair index of the relative health of the population, some conclusions might be drawn from these totals, but this is far from the fact. The number of dispensaries goes on increasing. This alone destroys comparison, but even were the number always the same and the places they occupied identical from year to

year, they could never be regarded as any index of the public health of the country generally and still less of the relative prevalence of individual diseases.

In other reports an attempt has been made to show the statistics of each disease for every dispensary separately, but the result is a very large table which is not worth the space it occupies, or the money it costs to print.

A third mode is followed in other reports. The divisions of the new nomenclature of disease are kept up, but individual diseases, instead of being named, are collected together by numbers. The space occupied is still considerable, and the information thus afforded unsatisfactory. For example "diseases of the nervous system, 59 to 104" as one of the headings runs, is too particular for administrative purposes; for medical purposes it is too vague.

10. It would be better to give a few simple headings representing the diseases which are most common and fatal among the people, such as are shown in the Statement III now proposed. The statistics of these headings should be shown separately for each dispensary. Such a system may be considered unscientific, but it will show the working of the dispensaries much more satisfactorily than any other plan now in force, and this is what is wanted.

11. As has been remarked, there is no better test of the success of a dispensary, having indoor patients, than the numbers who apply for relief in surgical cases. In the draft form a special column is devoted to this point. Some general ruling is required as to what should be considered "medical" and what "surgical" cases. Skin diseases, for example, might be entered at some dispensaries in the one and at others in the other class.

12. As regards "major" and "minor" operations again a definite rule is much required. The Surgeon General of the Bengal Medical Department has issued a list of those coming under each head, but cases must constantly arise which are not contained in these lists, and as the Inspector General of Dispensaries of the North-Western Provinces points out in his last report, there are objections to the lists even as they now stand. Perhaps all operations which involve danger to life or to an organ or to a limb might be classed as major operations, and all others considered as minor operations. But on this point it is very desirable that some general understanding should be come to, and that one basis of reporting should be adopted for all parts of the country. The Medical Department and the Inspectors General of Dispensaries may be asked to offer suggestions in this matter.

13. There are some points of detail which cannot be provided for in a regular form, but which ought to receive special notice in dispensary reports. Such, for example, as the distribution of stone cases, the mortality attendant on stone operations, on amputations of various limbs, &c., &c. Such statistics are already discussed in some of them.

14. STATEMENT IV does not call for any remarks, except that in arranging persons of low caste either as "Hindus" or "other classes," the same system should be adopted as prescribed with reference to the statistics of deaths in the orders of the Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce Department Nos. 10-244 to 10-253, dated 12th June 1872.

15. STATEMENT V sufficiently explains itself. Many of the figures brought out in its columns would naturally demand explanation and further remark in the report especially with reference to the figures of previous years.

16. In regard to the reports they should all be for the calendar year; and they should not include any discussion of climate, meteorology, or other matters which properly belong to other reports. They should be confined to show how the dispensaries worked and what their working cost. If lunatic asylum reports are included in the same volume, as is sometimes done, they should be kept entirely distinct from the dispensaries. Poor-houses and leper asylums should also be noticed separately.

17. It will be understood that, as in the case of the jail forms, there is no intention of prohibiting the adoption by Local Governments of any extra forms they may wish for their own purposes. The aim is to introduce a standard series, so that the results from all parts of India may be conveniently shewn and compared.

No 4691A.

ORDER.—Ordered, that this Resolution with the draft forms be circulated to Local Governments and Administrations, in the Bengal Presidency, with the request that any remarks and suggestions they may have to offer may be submitted as early as convenient, so that the series may be finally revised and brought into use for the report of 1875.

(True Extract.)

Arthur Howell

Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To The Chief Commissioner of Mysore.

Exd.—F. J. B.

DISPENSARY STATISTICS.

STATEMENT No. I.

Shewing the number of Dispensaries in the_____during the year_____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Population of the Province.	Dispensaries.	Number open on 31st December.	Number opened during the year.	Number closed during the year.	Number open on the last day of the year.	REMARKS.
	1st class ...					
	2nd class ...					
	3rd class ...					
	TOTAL ...					

DISPENSARY STATISTICS.

STATEMENT No. II.

Shewing the number of indoor and outdoor patients treated in the Dispensaries of the_____during the year_____.

1	2	3	4										5				6
			Indoor patients.										Outdoor patients.				
			a	b	c	d	e	f	g		h		a	b	c	d	
No.	Name of Dispensary.	Of what class.	Total treated during the year	Number cured.	Number relieved.	Discharged otherwise.	Died.	Number of beds available.	Daily average number.			Ratio of deaths per cent. of average strength.	Number treated.			Average daily attendance.	Total number of patients both indoor and outdoor.
								Male.	Female	Male.	Female	Total.	Attended personally.	Represented by friends.	Total.		
	Total ...																

Note.—The total treated Columns 4 a and 5 a should include both those remaining from the previous year and those admitted during the year under report. The "total treated" means the number of cases. If the same person attends 10 days he is not to be counted 10 times; if he re-appears as a fresh case he would be counted again. Column 4 f should shew the number of patients the dispensary can properly accommodate.

DISPENSARY STATISTICS.

STATEMENT No. III.

Shewing the diseases of the indoor and outdoor patients treated in the Dispensaries of the_____during the year_____.

1	2	3																						4	5	
		Diseases.																							Operations.	
		a		b		c		d		e		f		g		h		i		j		k				
No.	Name of Dispensary.	Small-pox.		Fevers.		Cholera.		Dysentery and Diarrhœa.		Respiratory diseases.		Venereal diseases.		Diseases of the eye.		Skin diseases.		Injuries.		Other causes.		Total.		Percentage of surgical to medical cases.	Major.	Minor.
		A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D	A	D			
	* I O																									
	Total ...																									

* I stands for inpatients.
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DISPENSARY STATISTICS.

STATEMENT No. IV.

Shewing the classes and sexes of the indoor and outdoor patients treated in the Dispensaries of the _____ during the year _____.

1	2	3	4																5							
			CLASSES.																DAILY ATTENDANCE.							
No.	Name of Dispensary.	*Total treated during the year.	a				b				c				d				e				Average number.				Ratio per cent. of			
			Europeans.				Eurasians.				Hindus.				Mussulmans.				Other classes.											
		Men. Women. Children. Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
	Total ...																													

Column 4 e.—In filling up this column the same rule should be observed as has been already applied to the registration of deaths.

* Including both indoor and outdoor patients.

DISPENSARY STATISTICS.

STATEMENT No. V.

Shewing the income and expenditure on account of the Dispensaries in the _____ during the year_

1	2	3										4								5	6
		INCOME.										EXPENDITURE.									
		a	b					c	d	e		f	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	
No.	Name of Dispensary.	Balance in hand on 1st January	FROM GOVERNMENT.					From local or other funds.	Interest on investments.	SUBSCRIPTIONS.		Total income.	On establishment.	On b'ar medicines.	On European medicines, whether from Government stores or purchased.	On diet.	On miscellaneous charges.	On building or repairs.	Invested during the year.	Balance in hand on 31st December	Average cost of each diet.	Percentage of total cost paid by Government.
			As salaries.	As registers and forms.	As European medicines.	For diet of Police cases.	Total.			From Europeans.	From Natives.											
	TOTAL ...																				

COLUMN 5.—In calculating this those who paid for their own diet will of course be excluded; also Police cases when paid for by the Government.

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File No 1472
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Comp. No. 44
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No. 92

From Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt of India
To Home Dept
Chief Commr of Coorg
Dated 7 October
Despatched
Received 14 Oct.
ENCLOSURES NO. 4 Spc.

General No.
No. 13/1533.

Forwarded for information and guidance. Extract from a letter to the Chief Commissioner Central Provinces on the Jail Report of the Central Provinces for year 1874

Forward all spare Copies to the Jail Com. for information and guidance

14-10-75

Extract paras. 1, 2 and 4 from a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, No. 1575 (Judicial), dated Simla, the 4th October 1875.

PARA. 1. I am directed to acknowledge the Jail Report of the Central Provinces for the year 1874, with your review thereon, and in reply to communicate the following observations.

2. The Government of India have little to add to your review except as regards the vital statistics of the report. Taken as a whole, the health of the prisoners in the jails of the Central Provinces during 1874 although not so good as during the preceding year may be compared favorably with the health of prisoners in other provinces. But owing to the want of a uniform mode of procedure the statistics of sickness are not of much value either as an index of the extent to which sickness prevailed among the prisoners as a body or of the comparative healthiness of individual jails. Some Medical officers appear to take into hospital every case however trivial of ailment, others have a weakly or convalescent gang which includes all trifling cases of illness—and these are not shown in the hospital books. Between the two extremes there are no doubt great varieties of practice. In remarking on this point you express* an opinion that "men should only be entered as admitted to hospital and classed as sick when they are excused from work." It is difficult to lay down any definite rule on the subject and much must be left to the discretion of the Medical officer concerned. The simplest plan would perhaps be to require a statement of the average number on the weakly and convalescent gang. Taken in conjunction with the number in hospital this would afford a fair standard of comparison. It is not necessary to prescribe a new form for such a statement; it will be sufficient if the attention of the Inspector General be drawn to the point and he be requested to furnish the desired information in his annual report.

* Para. 18 of review.

3. * * * * * * *

4. Many of the tables† of vital statistics have been unnecessarily complicated. By carrying average daily strength and other calculations to decimal points the array of figures is greatly increased without any advantage. In respect to mortality only are decimal points needed. Again it was not intended by the Government of India that the tables should show the statistics of two years; but many of the statements attached to the present report give in each column the results of 1874 side by side with those of 1873. You are requested to enjoin upon the Inspector General a stricter adherence to the prescribed forms in future.

† Nos. XV to XX.

No. 13/1523.

FORWARDED to the [illegible] for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

[signature]

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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From Secretary to the
To Government of India
Home Dept.

Section Cognate
File No 1772
Serial No 19

Dated 29th February 1876.
Despatched
Received 9 March
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ENCLOSURES NO.

General No.
No. 30

Govt of India No. 15/489A dt. 31 July/75

Regarding early reply to the communication regarding the proposed forms of Dispensary Returns.

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In reply to our reminder, Dr Oswald for Dr Smith said that the report called for will be forwarded on Dr Smith's return from a tour of inspection, about the middle of this month.

9-3-76

Send a reminder to D.S.G. on the 20th inst.

Mr Webb
for attention

Fort William

Home Department,

(Medical)

The 7th February 1876.

No. 30.

To

The Chief Commissioner of Mysore and Coorg

SIR,

Subject.

Proposed forms of Dispensary Returns.

I AM directed to invite attention to the communication marginally noted,* and to request an early reply thereto.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

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No. 469A dated 31st July 1875

~~subsequent reminder~~

~~No.~~ ~~dated~~

Arthur Howell

Offg. ~~Under~~ Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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187 6. No. 124.

From Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt of India

To Home dept

Section Confdl

File No 1 of 72

Serial No 13

Dated 29 March, 1876

Despatched

Received 4 April, 1876

ENCLOSURES NO.

General No.

No. 190.

Requests early reply to reference relating to Proposed forms of Dispensary Returns.

Please see Secretary's order, dated 30th March; & the Ch. Comr's approval thereof dated yesterday.

4-4-76

Record Office

Upd 5/4

Richard Temple

Fort William
Home Department,
(Medical)
The 27th March 1876

No. 190

To

The Chief Commissioner
of Mysore and Coorg

Subject.

Proposed forms of
Dispensary Returns

SIR,

I AM directed to invite attention to the communications marginally noted,* and to request an early reply, ~~thereto.~~

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

* No. 5 469 A dated 31st July 1875
subsequent reminder
No. 30 dated 20th January 1876

J. H. Bourdillon

Offg. ~~Under~~ Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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From The Government of India
Home Dept

To

The Chief Commissioner

Section Courts
File No 47
Serial No 14

Dated Simla 17th June 1876

Despatched

Received 29 Aug.

ENCLOSURES NO.

General No.
No. 15

Govt of India No 1/58 dt. 7th March 76.

Requesting early reply regarding the arrangements of Annual Sanitary Reports.

Ans 30th Aug 1876 No 3544

Simla

Home Department,

(Sanitary)

The 14th June 1876.

No. 157

To

The Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

SIR,

Subject.

Regarding the arrangement of Annual Sanitary Reports.

I AM directed to invite attention to the communication marginally noted,* and to request an early reply thereto.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Offg Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

* No. 136 dated 7th March/76

~~subsequent reminder~~

~~No.~~ ~~dated~~

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From

To The Secretary to the Govt of India Finance Department. Simla

Dated 1st July 1876

Despatched 8th

Received

ENCLOSURES NO. 1

General No. 3544

No. 164

Section

File No

Serial No

With reference to letter No 156 dated 7th March last, submitting opinions relating to the tea cubular statements, as may be considered as shown in the accompanying forms without comparing their usefulness generally.

HYGIENIC COMMISSION

No 3544
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H. M. C. Office
Bangalore 3rd July 1876.

To
The Secretary to the Govt
of India
Home Department
Simla

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 56 dated the 7th March last, regarding the Arrangement of the Annual Sanitary Returns, and to your Reminder No 157 of the 17th ultimo inviting attention to the above, I am directed to state, with reference to para: 5 (Clause 1), that, having consulted the Dy Surgn Genl I. M. Dept. in the subject the Chief Comptr is of opinion that the Tabular Statement relating to Vital Statistics may be condensed, as shown in the accompanying Comparative Statement (A & B forms), without impairing their usefulness generally.—

2. To effect this Condensation, Forms I and II including the Abstract Summary of the latter, will constitute a new Form No I. The Information contained in the

Old forms III, VI, VII, VIII and IX can be embodied in a new Form II, provided the tabulation of deaths from each group of diseases by sexes be dispensed with, and in its place the death tabulation from all causes and for both sexes be substituted. The old forms Nos IV and V can be combined in a new Form III, and form No X can be obtained as Form IV of the new series.-

3. I am also desired to add ~~to intimate~~ that the Annual Sanitary Reports for Bengal and Coorg will be prepared in accordance with the headings indicated by the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State in his despatch dated the 13th January 1876.-

3. As ~~Regulations~~ suggestions made in Para 4 of the Secretary's despatch I am desired to state that in future the Sanitary Commissioner with Government will be able to supply such particulars as are available from the Jail Vaccination Reports, in the Annual Reports

Approved

3.7.76

Received

3/7/76